

### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

**14 CFR Part 39** 

[Docket No. FAA-2023-0662; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00745-T]

**RIN 2120-AA64** 

**Airworthiness Directives;** Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to supersede Airworthiness Directive

(AD) 2020-07-13, which applies to certain Bombardier, Inc., Model BD-100-1A10 airplanes. AD 2020-07-13 requires revising the existing airplane flight manual (AFM) to provide the flightcrew with new warnings for "Autoflight" and "Engine Failure in Climb During ALTS CAP." Since the FAA issued AD 2020-07-13, the procedures were revised to ensure that all applicable altitude capture modes utilized and annunciated in the affected fleet are included and to more clearly denote these altitude capture modes. This proposed AD would require revising the existing AFM to provide the flightcrew with new warnings for "Autoflight" and "Engine Failure in Climb During (V) ALTS CAP or (V) ALTV CAP." The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

**DATES:** The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by [INSERT DATE 45 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments, using the procedures found in 14 CFR 11.43 and 11.45, by any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- Fax: 202-493-2251.
- Mail: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.
- Hand Delivery: Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

  \*\*AD Docket\*\*: You may examine the AD docket at regulations.gov under Docket No. FAA-2023-0662; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this NPRM, the mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI), any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above.

  \*\*Material Incorporated by Reference\*\*:
- For service information identified in this NPRM, contact Bombardier Business Aircraft Customer Response Center, 400 Côte-Vertu Road West, Dorval, Québec H4S 1Y9, Canada; telephone 514-855-2999; email ac.yul@aero.bombardier.com; website bombardier.com.
- You may view this service information at the FAA, Airworthiness Products

  Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206-231-3195.

  FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Dzierzynski, Aerospace Engineer, Avionics and Electrical Systems Section, FAA, New York ACO Branch, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; telephone 516-228-7367; email 9-avsnyaco-cos@faa.gov.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Comments Invited**

The FAA invites you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under ADDRESSES. Include "Docket No. FAA-2023-0662; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00745-T" at the beginning of your comments. The most helpful comments reference a specific portion of the proposal, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include supporting data. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend the proposal because of those comments.

Except for Confidential Business Information (CBI) as described in the following paragraph, and other information as described in 14 CFR 11.35, the FAA will post all comments received, without change, to regulations.gov, including any personal information you provide. The agency will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact received about this NPRM.

### **Confidential Business Information**

CBI is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to this NPRM contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this NPRM, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Please mark each page of your submission containing CBI as "PROPIN." The FAA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the FOIA, and they will not be placed in the public docket of this NPRM. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Steven Dzierzynski, Aerospace Engineer, Avionics and Electrical Systems Section, FAA, New York ACO Branch, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; telephone

516-228-7367; email 9-avs-nyaco-cos@faa.gov. Any commentary that the FAA receives which is not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this rulemaking.

### **Background**

The FAA issued AD 2020-07-13, Amendment 39-19892 (85 FR 20394, April 13, 2020) (AD 2020-07-13), for certain Bombardier, Inc., Model BD-100-1A10 airplanes. AD 2020-07-13 was prompted by an MCAI originated by Transport Canada, which is the aviation authority for Canada. Transport Canada issued AD CF-2019-12, dated April 3, 2019 (AD CF-2019-12), to correct an unsafe condition.

AD 2020-07-13 requires revising the existing AFM to provide the flightcrew with new warnings for "Autoflight" and "Engine Failure in Climb During ALTS CAP." The FAA issued AD 2020-07-13 to address the occurrence of an engine failure during or before a climb while in ALTS CAP or (V) ALTS CAP mode, as it could cause the airspeed to drop significantly below the safe operating speed and may require prompt flightcrew intervention to maintain a safe operating speed.

### Actions Since AD 2020-07-13 was Issued

Since the FAA issued AD 2020-07-13, Transport Canada superseded AD CF-2019-12 and issued Transport Canada AD CF-2019-12R1, dated June 9, 2022 (referred to after this as the MCAI), to correct an unsafe condition on certain Bombardier, Inc., Model BD-100-1A10 airplanes. The MCAI states that during altitude capture flight, the flight guidance/autopilot does not account for engine failure while capturing an altitude. The MCAI states that Transport Canada AD CF-2019-12 referenced specific altitude capture modes but did not consider all possible available annunciated altitude capture modes used in the affected airplanes. Therefore, the MCAI mandates further updates to the Limitation and Emergency Procedures sections of the AFM to ensure that

all applicable altitude capture modes utilized and annunciated in the affected fleet are included and more clearly denotes these altitude capture modes in these new procedures.

The FAA is proposing this AD to address the occurrence of an engine failure during or before a climb while in altitude capture flight. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could cause the airspeed to drop significantly below the safe operating speed and may require prompt flightcrew intervention to maintain a safe operating speed.

You may examine the MCAI in the AD docket at regulations.gov under Docket No. FAA-2023-0662.

# **Related Service Information under 1 CFR Part 51**

The FAA reviewed the following service information, which provides new warnings for the "Autoflight" procedure in Section 02-04, "Systems Limitations," of the LIMITATIONS section; and "Engine Failure in Climb During (V) ALTS CAP or (V) ALTV CAP," procedure in Section 03-32, "Powerplant," of the EMERGENCY PROCEDURES section; of the applicable AFMs.

- Bombardier Challenger 300 Airplane Flight Manual (Imperial Version),
  Publication No. CSP 100-1, Revision 69, dated July 4, 2022. (For obtaining the
  procedures for Bombardier Challenger 300 AFM (Imperial Version), Publication No.
  CSP 100-1, use Document Identification No. CH 300 AFM-I.)
- Bombardier Challenger 350 Airplane Flight Manual, Publication No. CH 350 AFM, Revision 34, dated June 14, 2022. (For obtaining the procedures for Bombardier Challenger 350 AFM, Publication No. CH 350 AFM, use Document Identification No. CH 350 AFM.)

These documents are distinct since they apply to different airplane models in different configurations. This service information is reasonably available because the interested parties have access to it through their normal course of business or by the means identified in the ADDRESSES section.

### **FAA's Determination**

This product has been approved by the aviation authority of another country, and is approved for operation in the United States. Pursuant to the FAA's bilateral agreement with this State of Design Authority, it has notified the FAA of the unsafe condition described in the MCAI and service information described above. The FAA is issuing this NPRM after determining that unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop on other products of the same type design.

## **Proposed AD Requirements in this NPRM**

This proposed AD would retain none of the requirements of AD 2020-07-13. This proposed AD would require revising the existing AFM to provide the flightcrew with new warnings for "Autoflight" and "Engine Failure in Climb During (V) ALTS CAP or (V) ALTV CAP."

# **Compliance with AFM Revisions**

Transport Canada AD CF-2019-12R1 requires operators to "advise all flight crews" of revisions to the AFM, and thereafter to "operate the aeroplane accordingly." However, this proposed AD would not specifically require those actions as those actions are already required by FAA regulations. FAA regulations require operators furnish to pilots any changes to the AFM (for example, 14 CFR 121.137), and to ensure the pilots are familiar with the AFM (for example, 14 CFR 91.505). As with any other flightcrew training requirement, training on the updated AFM content is tracked by the operators and recorded in each pilot's training record, which is available for the FAA to review. FAA regulations also require pilots to follow the procedures in the existing AFM including all updates. 14 CFR 91.9 requires that any person operating a civil aircraft must comply with the operating limitations specified in the AFM. Therefore, including a requirement in this proposed AD to operate the airplane according to the revised AFM would be redundant and unnecessary.

### **Costs of Compliance**

The FAA estimates that this AD, if adopted as proposed, would affect 244 airplanes of U.S. registry.

The FAA estimates the following costs to comply with this proposed AD:

### Estimated costs for required actions

Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product	Cost on U.S. operators
1 work-hour X \$85 per hour = \$85	\$0	\$85	\$20,740

### **Authority for this Rulemaking**

Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA's authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII: Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the Agency's authority.

The FAA is issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701: General requirements. Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

### **Regulatory Findings**

The FAA has determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This proposed AD would not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify this proposed regulation:

- (1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866,
- (2) Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska, and
- (3) Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

## List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

# **The Proposed Amendment**

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

### **PART 39 - AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES**

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

## § 39.13 [Amended]

- 2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by:
- a. Removing Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2020-07-13, Amendment 39-19892
   (85 FR 20394, April 13, 2020); and
  - b. Adding the following new AD:

**Bombardier, Inc.:** Docket No. FAA-2023-0662; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00745-T.

# (a) Comments Due Date

The FAA must receive comments on this airworthiness directive (AD) by [INSERT DATE 45 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

### (b) Affected ADs

This AD replaces AD 2020-07-13, Amendment 39-19892 (85 FR 20394, April 13, 2020) (AD 2020-07-13).

### (c) Applicability

This AD applies to Bombardier, Inc., Model BD-100-1A10 airplanes, certificated in any category, serial numbers 20003 through 20500 inclusive, and 20501 through 20867 inclusive.

## (d) Subject

Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 22, Auto flight.

## (e) Reason

This AD was prompted by a report that during altitude capture flight, the flight guidance/autopilot does not account for engine failure while capturing an altitude. The FAA is issuing this AD to address the occurrence of an engine failure during or before a climb while in altitude capture flight. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could cause the airspeed to drop significantly below the safe operating speed and may require prompt flightcrew intervention to maintain a safe operating speed.

## (f) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

## (g) Revision of Existing Airplane Flight Manual (AFM)

Within 30 days after the effective date of this AD, revise the existing AFM to include the information specified in "Autoflight" procedure in Section 02-04, "System Limitations," of the LIMITATIONS section, and "Engine Failure in Climb During (V) ALTS CAP or (V) ALTV CAP," procedure in Section 03-32, "Powerplant," of the EMERGENCY PROCEDURES section; of the Bombardier Challenger 300 Airplane Flight Manual (Imperial Version), Publication No. CSP 100-1, Revision 69, dated July 4, 2022 (for airplanes having serial numbers 20003 through 20500 inclusive); or the

Bombardier Challenger 350 Airplane Flight Manual, Publication No. CH 350 AFM, Revision 34, dated June 14, 2022 (for airplanes having serial numbers 20501 through 20867 inclusive); as applicable.

Note 1 to paragraph (g): For obtaining the procedures for Bombardier Challenger 300 AFM (Imperial Version), Publication No. CSP 100-1, use Document Identification No. CH 300 AFM-I.

Note 2 to paragraph (g): For obtaining the procedures for Bombardier Challenger 350 AFM, Publication No. CH 350 AFM, use Document Identification No. CH 350 AFM.

# (h) Additional AD Provisions

- (1) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs): The Manager, New York ACO Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the New York ACO Branch, mail it to ATTN: Program Manager, Continuing Operational Safety, at the address identified in paragraph (i)(2) of this AD or email to: 9-avs-nyaco-cos@faa.gov. If mailing information, also submit information by email. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the responsible Flight Standards Office.
- (2) Contacting the Manufacturer: For any requirement in this AD to obtain instructions from a manufacturer, the instructions must be accomplished using a method approved by the Manager, New York ACO Branch, FAA; or Transport Canada; or Bombardier, Inc.'s Transport Canada Design Approval Organization (DAO). If approved by the DAO, the approval must include the DAO-authorized signature.

#### (i) Additional Information

- (1) Refer to Transport Canada AD CF-2019-12R1, dated June 9, 2022, for related information. This Transport Canada AD may be found in the AD docket at regulations.gov under Docket No. FAA-2023-0662.
- (2) For more information about this AD, contact Steven Dzierzynski, Aerospace Engineer, Avionics and Electrical Systems Section, FAA, New York ACO Branch, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; telephone 516-228-7367; email 9-avs-nyaco-cos@faa.gov.

## (j) Material Incorporated by Reference

- (1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) of the service information listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.
- (2) You must use this service information as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless this AD specifies otherwise.
- (i) Section 02-04, "Systems Limitations," of the LIMITATIONS section, of the Bombardier Challenger 300 Airplane Flight Manual (Imperial Version), Publication No. CSP 100-1, Revision 69, dated July 4, 2022.

Note 1 to paragraph (j)(2)(i) of this AD: This note applies to paragraphs (j)(2)(i) and (ii). For obtaining the procedures for Bombardier Challenger 300 AFM (Imperial Version), Publication No. CSP 100-1, use Document Identification No. CH 300 AFM-I.

- (ii) Section 03-32, "Powerplant," of the EMERGENCY PROCEDURES section, of the Bombardier Challenger 300 Airplane Flight Manual (Imperial Version), Publication No. CSP 100-1, Revision 69, dated July 4, 2022.
- (iii) Section 02-04, "Systems Limitations," of the LIMITATIONS section, of the Bombardier Challenger 350 Airplane Flight Manual, Publication No. CH 350 AFM, Revision 34, dated June 14, 2022.

Note 2 to paragraph (j)(2)(iii): This note applies to paragraphs (j)(2)(iii) and (iv) of this AD. For obtaining the procedures for Bombardier Challenger 350 AFM, Publication No. CH 350 AFM, use Document Identification No. CH 350 AFM.

- (iv) Section 03-32, "Powerplant," of the EMERGENCY PROCEDURES section, of the Bombardier Challenger 350 Airplane Flight Manual, Publication No. CH 350 AFM, Revision 34, dated June 14, 2022.
- (3) For service information identified in this AD, contact Bombardier Business Aircraft Customer Response Center, 400 Côte-Vertu Road West, Dorval, Québec H4S 1Y9, Canada; telephone 514-855-2999; email ac.yul@aero.bombardier.com; website bombardier.com.
- (4) You may view this service information at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206-231-3195.
- (5) You may view this service information that is incorporated by reference at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, email fr.inspection@nara.gov, or go to: www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html.

  Issued on April 1, 2023.

Christina Underwood, Acting Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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